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SUBJECT: COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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1. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH YOUR INTERPRETATION THAT DOCTRINE OF SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE PRECLUDES USG TAKING TITLE OR SPONSORSHIP OF CHURCH TO MEET AFGHAN REQUIREMENT. WE SEE NO LEGAL WAY FOR USG TO BECOME INVOLVED IN CHURCH BUSINESS IN THIS WAY, AND HAVE SO INFORMED CHAPLAIN OF SENATE AND NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EVANGELICALS.

2. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES YOUR EXCELLENT REPORTING ON CHURCH SITUATION. IT HAS BEEN VERY HELPFUL IN INFORMING INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS AND CHURCH GROUPS HERE. YOU HAVE HANDLED SITUATION SKILLFULLY, AND WE HOPE YOUR INFORMAL ASSISTANCE OF PAST FEW DAYS WILL NOW ENABLE RGA AND CHURCH TO REACH AGREEMENT ON FUTURE STATUS OF PROPERTY. ROGERS

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